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ROBERTS ALSO COMMENTED THAT HE WAS SURPRISED AT THE FAILURE OF THE VC TO REACT EARLIER IN THE PROPAGANDA FIELD TO OBVIOUSLY EXPLOITABLE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF PRESIDENT NGO DINH DIEM A DELIBERATE ATTEMPT TO CREATE AUSTRUST RETMEEN THE UNITED STATES BESTURAL (SOURCE COMMENT DOSSID THAT HE THINKS THE ARTICLE THAT CAUGHT BTHE INTEREST OF AMBASSADOR HOHLER ONE DATELINED SATON, 29 JUNE 1962, CAPPEARING IN AN EARLY SULY ISSUE OF THE PHILIPPINE HERALD, ENTITLED TINTRA-PARTYOR IFTO IN REDENORTH VIETNAM - MOSCOW HAS AN EDGE ON PEIPING? " HTHE TENSATO THAT THE BELTEVED THAT THE AMBASSADOR HAD READ OUT OF THE CONTEXT AND MISTNEED VARYOUS ISTATEMENTS IN THE ARTICLE TO WHICH HE REFERRED, ATER HIWE TO COURIDER THE HELD TOWN THAT HE HOLDS BELIEVED HALDERED'S ANICHLAPHE & LINE LAST DAY OF AUGUST THAT AMBASSADOR HOHLER AS FOLLOWS FITD "STUDENTS OF "COMMUNIST" NORTH VIETNAM HERE WERE OF AGREEMENT THAT THE REPORTED GAINS - AT LEAST FOR THE TIME BEINGD- INFTHED PROUSON I ET MGROUP'S WILL EXERTS TEMPERATE INFLUENCE ONETHE 2 COURSE OF LEVENTS EM UNLESS THE VEELES LARE TURNED BY PERFING INALANOE OF LASAPOSPETPE VO WAS THE LEED CREDING FAVORABLY FROM INTON THE TRED COTS POTE HE THE I CHANCES WERE NOT DISMISSED OF A LONGER THE TUMEET. DURING THE SAME CONVERSATION, COLONEL HERRY LEE, & BOTILICAT GOCH LOUILO SWAYLLTEN ALELWONT ADVANCED WESTERN DEMOCRACY WOULD ITTIES BYT (FIELD COMMENT! SIN WELATER JULY CONVERSATION WITH AN AMERICAN OBSERVER, THE COUNSELLOR OF THE BRITISH EMBASSYEIN SALGON CONTA BURROWS, EATTACKED THE DIEM GOVERNMENT, STATING THAT CLASSIFICATION PRODUCTION CONTROLS SECRET MOLNOFORN/CONTINUED CONTROL/BACKGROUND USE ONLY

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THERE COULD BE NO HOPE OF PROGRESS AGAINST WERTCAN CHINTERS, DIEM MELES LEWONED. THEN CHILICIZING THEM ILLIBERALITY OF THE DIEM REGIME, BURROWS APPLIED STANDARDS OFO CRITICISM THAT EVEN THE MOST ADVANCED WESTERN DEMOCRACY WOULD FAIL TO MEET. DURING THE SAME CONVERSATION, COLONEL HENRY LEE, MILITARY ATTACHE TO THE BEITTSHEEMBASSY , EXPRESSED HIS OF INTONE THAT THE WAR AGAINST THE VC WAS NOT PROCEEDING FAVORABLY FROM THE WESTERN POINT FOF WIEW . OM HESS APPEARED CRITICAL OF DIEM AND INC SEEMED INCLINED TOWARD IN MICHTARY JUNTA YE FOR I BEY DINDER INTERICE WY TOU GENERAL DRONG AND WINH. JRIED GAINS - AT LEAST FOR THE TIME AS POLLCULS OF THE OF THE WARRY SADOR TO SOUTH A LELE WERE FREDERICK E. NOLTING COMMENTED ON 8 AUGUST THAT AMBASSADOR HOHLER THAS NEVER GIVEN THE SEIGHTEST INDICATION THAT HE HOLDS THE ALENS ALLE PED TO HAN IN THIS LEBOUL ON 8 ANGUST. AMBASSADOR HOHITER STOOK THE COMPETER OF THE CONTEXT AMBASSABOR NOETING, EXPRESSING OPTIMISM REGARDING THE PROSPECTS OF THE GOVERNMENT FOF VIETNAM ! SOME AND THAT HE LILED BELTEVED THAT THE TINFORMATION SHOULD BEATER WITH GREAT SO TOME 1962, RESERVE , SAND WITH THE POSSIBLICITY IN MIND THAT IT MAY REPRESENT A DELIBERATE ATTEMPT TO CREATE MISTRUST BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES END CHEAT BRITAINS RETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF PRESIDENT MGO DAME DIEN OF 4 LECT CONMENT. NOO DINH NHR' BROTHER AND BOTILICAL

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ON 8 AUGUST THAT, WHILE HE CONSIDERS FRENCH POLICY BOTH IN PARIS
AND IN SAIGON TO HAVE AS ITS OBJECTIVE THE NEUTRALIZATION OF
SOUTH VIETNAM AND SOUTHEAST ASIA, HE FEELS THAT THE BRITISH
HAVE A CONTRARY POLICY MORE SIMILAR TO THAT OF THE US. NHU
SAID THAT HE HAS HAD NO INDICATIONS THAT CAUSE HIM CONCERN WITH
RESPECT TO THE BRITISH ROLE IN SOUTH VIETNAM, AND INITIATED THE COMMENT
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